Sorties

Squadron	Month	Year
8th FW	351	1143
35th FS	189	596
80th FS	162	547

2001 Combined Federal Campaign
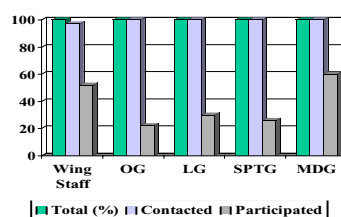
Wing Staff   OG   LG   SPTG   MDG

Total (%)   Contacted   Participated

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Birthday meal

Photo by Tech. Sgt. Shawn Sprayberry

The O'Malley Inn dining facility held a birthday meal Nov. 11 for Wolf Pack members with birthdays in November. Sixty-nine people showed up to eat steak and lobster served by their commanders and first sergeants. The next meal is Dec. 9.

Base post office offers guidelines for sending packages over the holidays

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The base post office has offered a few tips for people to get those holiday packages ready to be sent home.

Start out by packaging your mail properly. Paperboard boxes are acceptable for average loads of up to 10 pounds. Metal-stayed paperboard boxes are acceptable for average loads up to 20 pounds. Solid and corrugated fiberboard boxes are acceptable for heavy loads of more than 20 pounds, said Tech. Sgt. Joey Tucker, 8th Communications Squadron assistant postmaster.

Make sure the size of the box is adequate to contain the items plus enough extra space for cushioning material. If the box is too large and the load is not properly blocked and cushioned, the contents will shift in transit. If it's too small, the cushioning will not be effective and container failure is possible, Tucker said.

Addressing your package properly, by putting the return address in the top left corner and the destination address in the center of the package. Don't address more than one side of the package, it could be returned to sender by mistake.

People wishing to keep the contents of their gifts a surprise (people sending wrapped presents, for example) should insert a PS Form 2976-A, a large white customs declaration, inside the parcel and affix only the upper portion on the wrapper. Fill out the white part of the form and provide it to the clerk when mailing, according to Tucker.

To receive the "bona-fide gift

Policy meets practice in information assurance: Don't be "The Weakest Link"

By Master Sgt. Pat Sullivan
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The "One Air Force, one network" concept is giving individual computer users access to more information, but at the same time exposing that enterprising network to more risk. Each computer hooked up to the network represents another computer that can be attacked through viruses and other types of malicious code. The user of that computer is where policy meets practice. Users prove over and over again that they can be, as the popular show states, "the weakest link."

The worldwide costs of computer attacks have been extensive. Two cycles of the code red virus affected more than 600,000 servers worldwide. The cost to network operations totaled more than one billion dollars. Military networks, however are not just valued in dollars, they are also a valued part of our nation's security.

E-mail, the easiest and most used function of our networks, is one example of a possible security threat. Although people are familiar with using e-mail on their home computers, they don't associate the risks they expose the Air Force network to by not following established security practices at their workplace.

One of the most important practices to follow is knowing how the network can be endangered. Writers of viruses have been using clever schemes to make users vulnerable.

Viruses are often spread as attachments to e-mail messages. The first major attack to take advantage of a hidden file extension was the VBS/LoveLetter worm which contained an e-mail attachment named "LOVE-LETTER-FOR-YOU.TXT.vbs."

Other malicious programs have since incorporated similar naming schemes. Malicious code might be distributed in amusing or enticing programs.